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Look out boys, this is leap year.

The year is making a good beginning. The large concerns throughout the country are about over the financial flurry and workmen are again nearly all busy.

The Taft sentiment seems very strong in Saline. He seems to be our people's choice for president, although there are other good men in the field.

A notice was sent out from the postoffice department at Washington modifying the order recently issued requiring subscriptions to be paid up within a year. The new order gives till April 1st for the ruling to become effective.

We were handed a Marshall paper Saturday in which the new postal law is referred to requiring subscriptions paid promptly and the paper boasted that it would obey the law. On the front was the subscriber's name and his paper had expired ten years ago!

Do you want to run for office? If so, it will be required of you to file with the County Clerk sixty days before August 5th a declaration of your intention and desire. This entitles your name to be on your official party ballot in the primary. The county pays the cost. It will be cheaper than heretofore.—Butler Democrat.

The holiday travel seems to have been very light this season. The railroads made no special rates for the holidays, and many who usually go visiting remained at home. It is still a question as to how much actual good has resulted to the people on account of reducing the passenger fare three cents per mile to two cents. The saving is, perhaps, very light.—Ex.

The only way to know the effects of a medicine is to test it by experiment, and after its efficacy is found out, its properties, effects, etc., are set down in the Materia Medica. The Democratic remedies have thus been tested, and you need but look at the Materia Medica of American political history to find out their efficacy. Their effect are all set down there in black and white.—Yellow Jacket.

The first annual convention of the Missouri River Navigation Congress will be held in Sioux City, Iowa, on January 22 and 23. It is the intention to organize a permanent association for the purpose of opening the Missouri to navigation from its source to the gulf. All interested are invited to be present and participate in the meeting. Address the executive committee at Sioux City for particulars.

There isn't any doubt but that Wm. H. Taft is the first choice of the rank and file Republicans of Kansas.

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THEY GET CHEAP PHONES

Something About Farmers' Independent Telephone Co.

To Marshall Republican.

Longwood, Mo., Dec. 26th.

—Some time ago our former president, J. H. Allison, requested me to write a brief history of the Farmers' Independent Telephone Co., of Longwood, Mo., a co-operative institution furnishing its service at actual cost to its subscribers.

Noticing that the telephone and other public utilities are being discussed by the citizens of Sedalia, and thinking that what I may write may be of interest to your readers, I have concluded to give a brief account of the origin, growth and service of our telephone company.

To begin with, I want to say that only a few years ago Longwood, which is situated sixteen miles north of Sedalia and twenty miles south of Marshall, the nearest railroad being twelve to fourteen miles had no telephone or telegraph communication, the only means of communication being a daily mail.

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Wear Out

Dr. Miles' Anti-Pain Pills relieve pain—not only once, but as many times as it is necessary to take them. Many persons who suffer from chronic ailments find in them a source of great relief from the suffering which they would otherwise be compelled to endure. Their soothing influence upon the nerves strengthens rather than weakens them. For this reason they seldom lose their effectiveness.

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I first want to tell you of our service, the very low cost of the same and how we organized to bring about this result. The subscribers of the Longwood exchange have free service with nearly every farm residence within six to eight miles in every direction also, with Hughesville, Houston, Sweet Springs on the west and northwest, and with Nelson, Napton, Blackwater and Arrow Rock on the east and northeast. This service is free; that is, coming at actual cost of operation, which so far has been, the first year 25 cents per month per 'phone and this, the second year, less than 30 cents per month per 'phone.

Out side of this we are able to 'phone anywhere in Sedalia or Marshall for 10 cents per message, and to any of the larger cities at the usual rates applicable to this territory. The service is first-class in every respect.

We find by actual use that we have ten times more need for the 'phone among our neighbors and our little town of Longwood than the way off points. We call the doctor, get up our threshing crews, call for extra help, make arrangements to butcher, saw wood, go to town, find out if a neighbor is at home and where to find him, find out the markets on everything, carry on social conversations, find out about the sick and many other things.

How this was brought about follows: On July 29, 1905, about twenty citizens of Longwood and the surrounding country met at the hall in Longwood and elected John Howe president and Louis W. Schanz secretary of the meeting. This meeting instructed the secretary to take the names of those desiring to organize a home telephone company. It adjourned to meet again August 12, 1905, when the secretary reported forty names. At this meeting a permanent organization was effected, as follows: President, J. H. Allison; vice president, James Smiley; secretary, Louis W. Schanz; treasurer, J. D. Prowell; board of directors, John W. Swope, Louis W. Schanz and Dave Greer.

On August 19, 1905, another meeting was held, at which an operator for the switchboard was chosen and a place determined on to place the same. An assessment of \$10 for each member was levied to purchase a switchboard and material to commence construction, and the board of directors authorized to purchase the same.

A committee was appointed

to draft a constitution and by-laws, which was later adopted.

This material was soon at hand and the construction began at once, the poles being purchased, hauled and set. First thirty telephones and a \$100-drop switchboard were ordered. About September 25, 1905, the telephones arrived, but no switchboard. We now had enough line to put up these thirty telephones which we did, connecting them at Longwood and using them in that way until November 20, 1905, when the switchboard arrived and was placed in position.

At this time there were four party lines running—one from Postal, one from Wana-maker, one from the country west about five miles and one from the country north about three miles, each having from eight to fifteen subscribers or 'phones. In Longwood we had six 'phones on a series of drops; that is, each 'phone on a line to itself, making a total of ten drops to begin with.

The next step was to secure communication with the railroad and Sedalia. We appointed a committee to visit the management of the Hughesville exchange and easily made an agreement whereby the Hughesville exchange built one-half and the Longwood exchange the other half of a trunk line connecting both exchanges.

By Jan. 1, 1906, this trunk line was completed, the cost of which, to our company, was \$114.22. We now had free use of the Hughesville exchange and the exchanges that they exchanged with, including Sedalia, on the same terms that their subscribers had—that is, we had nothing whatever to pay only when we called Sedalia, which was 10 cents per message. By this time our subscribers numbered about 125.

We now wanted Nelson and Marshall. These we secured in like manner, by building one-half of a trunk line and the Nelson exchange the other half. This cost our company \$139.47 and gave us Nelson, Blackwater, Arrow Rock and others free and Marshall at 10 cents per message. We now have 175 members. To explain further each member buys his or her 'phone, which costs about \$12. Each pays his or her share of the cost of wire, etc., used to construct such lines as they use to come to the switchboard, which averages from \$6 to \$12 each.

To be more explicit, it has cost some of our subscribers as low as \$20, and none more than \$40 to build their lines and buy their 'phones. As I have said before, the only other expense is for operating the switchboard and batteries, which now is about 30 cents per month per 'phone.

The telephones give little or no trouble as to repairs, the majority having not cost anything for repairs, it now being up more than two years. The switchboard also gives little trouble. We have been able to remedy any trouble ourselves, never having to have the service of an expert.

I want to see the day when every man will have a telephone in his residence and place of business, the poorest as well as the wealthiest and that day would not be long postponed if people only knew how easy and how cheap this great convenience can be had.

Yours respectfully,

MT. OLIVE

Intended for last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris and family ate their Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Burgess.

Walter Webb and family, Will Keirn and family, Bertha Burgess, Roy Kincheloe and his father were entertained at the home of J. T. Herndon Christmas day.

Will Oster and family and Mr. and Mrs. Alex Wilson spent a few of the holidays at Mrs. Webbers in Waverly.

Miss Anna Herndon is at home from Warrensburg to spend the holidays.

Harry Terrell went hunting, Saturday after noon with Ernest Keirn and remained over Sunday.

Joe Kincheloe, of Cooper county is spending the holidays with the family of his daughter, Mrs. Cora Webb.

W. O. Woodsmall and Josh Barbee spent Friday with W. C. Keirn.

Mrs. Morris and family visited at the home of Mrs. Bilbel one day last week.

J. T. Herndon and family and Bertha Burgess, Fount Keirn and Nathan Keirn spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Webb.

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